Bar Hill News

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New Improved Print Quality

We are now printing the Bar Hill News using a different printing process. We hope you like the improved print quality. During the installation and initial use of the new machine, we suffered significant delays while we adjusted to the different way of working, and we apologise to residents who received their Bar Hill News rather later than normal last month. Such teething troubles are likely to continue for another month or two.

I'm sure that the volunteers who have collated and stapled, some for many years, will be pleased to relinquish this task and let the new machine do this for them. There are still other tasks that volunteers can help with: please contact any of the committee.

Could you edit the Bar Hill News?

We need a replacement for the present editor who has asked to stand down. If you can help, contact any committee member (numbers on page 2).

One of the biggest delays to the production process at the moment is the role of Editor. Although ably assisted by two volunteers who share the preparation and layout, the present Editor cannot always perform his part of the task at the time when it is necessary. Despite an appeal over several months for a new Editor, none has been forthcoming. Unfortunately this is likely to continue to lead to delays until the present Editor's professional life becomes less demanding, or a volunteer replacement comes forward.

BAR HILL 40th ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATIONS

Many ideas have been put forward to mark this special occasion. Are there two generations in your family? Would you like to take part in an edition of the Generation Game? Are you involved in a village group for which you would like to raise funds? Bar Hill's very own verstion of Deal or No Deal is being planned. If you wish to take part in or help organise any of these, please contact Kirsten Goodfield or Raja Iyer (telephone numbers on page 2).

Copy date for the next issue is 15th March to Martin Avery at bhneditor@yahoo.com or see page 2 for other contact details

Bar Hill Residents' Association

07/08 Committee

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Plus - Kirsten & Paul Goodfield (15 Little Meadow - **200228**), E. Wilmer

The Objectives

The objectives of the Association are to act as an intermediary between the Residents and other parties, to keep Residents informed of matters of importance and recreation in and around the Village, and to promote the interests of Bar Hill. Opinions expressed in this publication are not necessarily those of the Association.

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BHN Contributions

What ? (see insert)	Cost ? (per month)	Who, where, how ? (see above)	When ? (in month)
Commercial '¼ page' Ads.	£13.50	Adverts Co-ordinator	1st of previous
Commercial 'Maxi' Ads.	£7.50	Adverts Co-ordinator	15th
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All items are included at the editor's discresion and are dependant on space being available

The '¼ page' adverts are for local businesses and we guarantee that they are always printed. This often results in a 'waiting list'. To overcome this we provide 'mini' and 'maxi' adverts that we use as 'fillers' for the text pages and do not guarantee their inclusion due to restrictions on the number of pages we can produce.

Any item can be submitted electronically via Microsoft Office files on disc or over the net via **bhneditor@yahoo.com**.

Anonymous letters cannot be published, but names and address may be withheld at the Editor's discretion. However such names and addresses will be made available to anyone who makes a written request for such information and has good reason.

All telephone numbers without an area code are Crafts Hill (01954)

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Orthoptist	2nd Tuesday	9am to 12.30am		
Psychiatric Nurse			Wednesday	2pm onwards
CAMTAD	4th Tuesday	9am to 11.30am		

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Friday 2.00 - 7.00
Saturday 9.30 - 1.00

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Useful telephone numbers

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Liberal Democrat Party (Tom Flanagan)	780571
Library (Renewals & Enquiries 8am - 8pm)	0845 045 5225
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Letters to the Editor

Opinions expressed in this publication (particularly on the letters pages) are not necessarily those held by the Residents' Association Committee. Alternative viewpoints are always welcome but anonymous letters will not be printed. The Editor reserves the right to withhold names and addresses where appropriate.

Dear Editor:
So John Reynolds (County Councillor) informs us that the South Cambs preferred council tax rise for this year is 5%. Is it not true that the Government have put a 5% maximum on council tax rises for this year? A list was published in the media of proposed Council Tax rises in East Anglia and other counties near to us and most council tax increases quoted 3.5% to 3.75%. So again South Cambs goes for the maximum 5%.

George Dethridge, Gladeside.

From the MP for South Cambs.

I am grateful for the opportunity to send you this message through your parish newsletter.

In the course of my work as your Member of Parliament I meet many constituents at my constituency Surgeries. Constituents contact me either because they wish to discuss issues, or to ask for my help with problems they are experiencing.
Increasingly, I am hearing about problems my constituents are experiencing in obtaining housing. In many cases, people have a very understandable desire to have a home in the village where they grew up, perhaps to be close to their parents, or close to where their children are attending school. All too often, this has not been possible, and people are waiting for years on local authority waiting lists for a suitable property, because the cost of housing means they cannot afford to buy their own home.
It's tragic to be talking to young couples, often with children, who have lived all their lives in South Cambridgeshire but who can't afford to buy because house prices have doubled over the last six years and there are too few Housing Association or local authority homes available for them to rent.
That's why I've launched a campaign to get the Government to let South Cambridgeshire District Council keep the money it receives from rents and the money it receives from Council house sales and be able to reinvest that money locally into new houses for rent. Last year South Cambs had to hand £10 million over to the Government! That could build a hundred new homes a year for local people to be able to rent properties in their home villages.
For further information, see my press release "MP calls on Government to let South Cambridgeshire build more homes for rent for local families" on my website at www.andrewlansley.co.uk. I have sent a copy of my letter to the Government to all the parish councils; so they can express their ideas as well as how we can house our young people locally.

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County Councillor John Reynolds

LIES AND DAMNED LIES

What is the rate of inflation in this country? Is it "about 2.5%" as the government would have you believe? Is it the 3.6% by which the State Pension will increase in April as a result of a measurement taken last September? Or is it 4.4%, which is the figure to which last September's measurement has now grown? The Government uses the Consumer Price Index or the Retail Price Index according to which suits its purposes best.

What is happening to crime in this country? Once again there are two different internal measurements - the British Crime Survey (BCS) and the figures produced by the Police. The Home Office recognises both and describes them as "complementary." So, let me see now: for 2005/6 the BCS records total crimes as increasing to 10.9 Million; the Police recorded a decrease to 5.6 Million.

Ministers can choose which set of figures they select from, according to what they wish to claim. Meanwhile a European survey has just declared us to be The Burglary Capital of Europe. Citizens of this country (according to that survey) stand a greater chance of becoming victims of the ten most common crimes than do citizens of any other EU country except Ireland.

How are we doing on Health and the NHS? That would make a good question for the new UK Citizenship Examination: give your impression of the NHS in not more than three words. Marks will be awarded for clarity, style and punctuation.

MRSA (the hospital-acquired infection) appears to be totally out of control. Government figures are trying to suggest that there are about 7,000 cases in England each year. Health experts put the figure closer to 100,000. A leaked memo last week from the Director of Health Protection suggested that a government target to halve the number of cases by 2008 would not and could not be achieved. Most of the memo was about how to "handle" this problem in the least damaging way. Should they quietly drop the target altogether; or could they put the target date back a year? In terms of MRSA cases as a proportion of all bloodstream infections Britain, at 44%, is ranked alongside Greece and just above Portugal and Cyprus.

Meanwhile, those who know (the doctors who work in the NHS) are busy signing up for private medicine rather than risk treatment where they work. According to a national newspaper, some 28% of them have taken out such insurance. Now there is a statistic to conjure with!

What about unemployment? This is where statistics start to justify Benjamin Disraeli's famous quotation: "There are lies, damned lies, and Government statistics." Just try visiting www.statistics.gov.uk
and see how easy it is to pick selective figures to suit your purpose. "The number of people in employment was 29.03 Million...the highest figure since records began." Given that our population (I will warrant) is also at its highest level since records began, that does not seem too surprising.

"The employment rate for people of working age was 74.6%," says one entry. "The unemployment rate was 5.5%," says another. That leaves about 20% who are neither one thing nor the other as far as I can see..

"The number of unemployed people ....fell... to 1.67 Million." "The number of economically inactive people of working age rose to 7.85M." "The claimant count was 943,100, down 5,500 on the previous month."

Need I say more?

BUDGET CONSULTATION

The Council has agreed a 5% increase in council tax for 2007/08, 85 pence a week extra for a band D household. However, despite the significant efficiency savings the Council will be achieving, including reductions in management costs and an ambitious programme of reducing office accommodation,

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reductions in many areas of service will be necessary.
The County was particularly disappointed to receive a grant increase of only 2.9% for 2007-2008 - way below the 4.9% increase for local government overall and the 3.8% increase for shire countries. Among the pressures we face are a 6% increase in demand for social care each year, an 11% increase in the cost of new tenders for bus services, a 7% increase in highway maintenance inflation and a 14% increase in landfill tax.

PUBLIC TRANSPORT CHIEFS LISTEN TO BUS CONSULTATION

Public transport chiefs have been able to save 13 bus services out of 15 which had been under review including the 8&9 Papworth - Elsworth - Bar Hill - Coton – Cambridge.
Cambridgeshire County Council launched a public consultation in December into the future of 15 of the 80 services supported by the authority. These services are not commercially viable and the Council spends around £2.7 million funding them despite getting less than half the money from Government.
With tendering prices soaring above inflation and Government funding not being guaranteed the Council, who has no legal duty to run these services, carried out a review. Some services carry as few as five passengers a day but costs the Council £5,228 annually.
However, through hard bargaining and working closely with bus operators the Council has been able to make savings during the tendering process to secure many of the services.
The Council wants to continue to work with local parish councils and bus operators to help promote all and in particular under used services in order to boost passenger numbers and reduce the need for future service reductions
The Council will continue to review bus services to make sure they are tailored for passengers and represent the best value for money.

BUSINESS CAST TO LIGHT THE WAY

The Council is due to send an outline business case to Government for a £44.2 million project to improve and provide extra street lighting in Cambridgeshire. Cabinet is due to discuss and approve the outline business case at their meeting on January 23. This is the second step in securing the funds as part of a 25 year Private Finance Initiative agreement, which would see around 50,000 new lights in Cambridgeshire.
Replacing and improving lighting in the County would help reduce accidents, give people a better quality of life and make areas much safer. Better lighting is also key in encouraging people to use public transport as it helps provide safe areas for passengers to use while waiting or getting off vehicles.
The County Council currently looks after around 55,000 lamp columns – many nearing the end of their design life. This project would enable the Council to replace 38,700 of these with modern ones and add an extra 8,900 into existing lighting systems as well as replace around 2,500 illuminated signs, bollards and beacons. New lighting systems use less electricity and are, therefore, more environmentally friendly and cost effective. The lights would also be brought up to the latest European standard.

SHUT THE DOOR ON DOORSTEP CRIME

A special task force set up to clamp down on rogue traders and distraction burglars have issued a list of top tips to prevent people falling victim to dodgy doorstep sellers and criminals. The advice is part of an ongoing campaign launched by Cambridgeshire and Peterborough Distraction Burglary & Rogue Trader Task Force, made up of Cambridgeshire County Council Trading Standards, Cambridgeshire Police and other partner organisations, targeted at reducing this type of crime.
The scams often target older or vulnerable members of the community and can range from using high-pressure techniques to sell people overpriced goods to distraction burglaries. People have been conned out of their life savings, been marched to cash points to pay for shabby services and even had money and other precious items stolen.

Anyone with information about the distraction burglaries should call Cambridgeshire Police on 0845 456 4564 and anyone who thinks they have become a victim or believes distraction burglars are operating in the area should call 999.

Cambridgeshire County Council and its partners produce a "We're Not Buying It' information and door sticker, aimed at helping you to avoid problems with doorstep selling. You can request a FREE copy of these from Cambridgeshire County Council by phoning our partner Consumer Direct on 08454 040506.

Cambridgeshire & Peterborough Distraction Burglary & Rogue Trader Task Force also run a Registered Trader Scheme that was set up for older residents and people with learning difficulties or physical disabilities. If you are eligible for the scheme and are looking for a trader who will do a "fair days work for a fair days pay" contact Age Concern on 01354 696677.

CAMBRIDGESHIRE COMMUTERS ARE WHEELY GOOD AT BEATING CONGESTION

Nearly a quarter of Cambridgeshire commuters beat congestion by cycling to work, the 2006 Travel for Work Survey has revealed - compared to just 3 per cent cycling to work nationally. The survey also showed a fourth year reduction in commuting by car to 52%, compared to a national average of 71%.
The highly successful Travel for Work Partnership has been working hard with businesses to help promote greener and healthier ways to get to work. TfW works with employers to promote all forms of sustainable travel both for getting to and from work and for travelling on business. More information can be found at www.tfw.org.uk.

John Reynolds
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Friends of Bar Hill Library

There is more to our Library than borrowing books and using the Post Office! We welcome you to a number of events there during March and April.

Thursday 1 March / Thursday 5 April

Coffee and tea from 10 a.m. to 12 noon. This event will continue on the first Thursday of each month, not on Mondays as advertised earlier.

Thursday 15 March / Thursday 19 April

Help with tracing your family history from our regular visitors from the Cambridgeshire Family History Society.

In the evening on 19 April, from 7 to 9 p.m., Maureen Nicholls will give a talk about how the *Princess Alice* disaster on the River Thames fired her interest in tracing her ancestors.

Saturday 7 April

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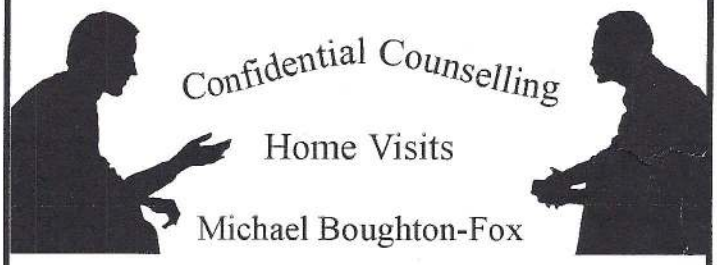

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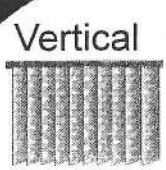
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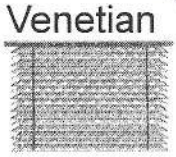
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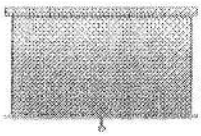
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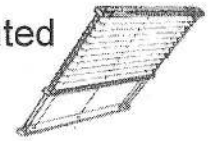

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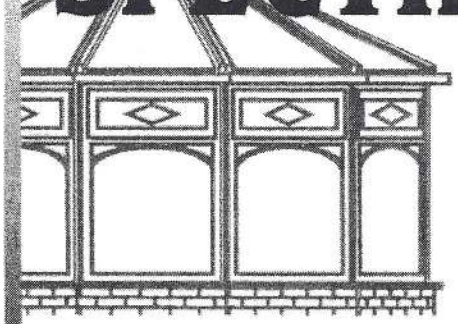

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District Councillors' Reports

RECYCLING:

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HGV & DAMAGED KERBS

I have been informed that there are plans by the Highways Agency to close all the lay-ys along the A14, I find this alarming as this means that we will have more lorries coming into the village to park when their Tachograph records that they have to stop. We are told that we should allow the lorries to park in our industrial area but there is a total disregard by drivers that this is a residential village and the damage to our kerbsides. The problem is that this village is too convenient with a 24 Hour Tesco, a pub and a Fish & Chip shop. Cllr Roger Hall and myself will put a 'form' in the Bar Hill News for April so that if a resident sees a lorry parking in an irresponsible way, e.g. on the roundabout obstructing traffic, put the relevant information on the form, name and registration and send it to either of us so that we can take this up with the HGV company, if you are able to take photos this would help further.

We are sympathetic to HGV and their need to stop but it is up to the Highways Agency to arrange suitable stops for these vehicles not our residential village.

MILTON COUNTRY PARK:

The future of Milton Country Park is in the news again because of the deadline given for arranging a plan for its long term future. South Cambs District Council has been trying to find a solution to the problem for several years, in fact it always comes up as a massive cost when looking for savings. The plain fact is that SCDC just could not go on paying out nearly £300,000 per year for this facility when only half the visitors come from the district and most of those from within 5 miles of it. Because of capping we cannot raise any more money and must try and prioritise the use of what we have. We have asked others to help financially, tried to suggest ways of raising money or arranging for someone else to take it over. This has been going on for many years but nothing has worked and the progress has been slow to say the least.

Since Council decided that these desultory and half hearted attempts had to be speeded up by giving a deadline, the progress has been remarkable. Once it was realised that SCDC could not and would not carry on subsidising it at this level and was serious about finding someone else to run it discussions have moved on at a pace. The costs have been brought down drastically, making it a more viable proposition for someone to take on, and the car parking charges are bringing in some revenue. The public support and increasing visitor numbers encourages the belief that people do want it and will contribute towards it.

There are on-going discussions with seven prospective partners and an agreement is likely to be forthcoming in the near future. If there is no other solution in place by the deadline it may be that a Charitable Trust is set up and all the people and Parish Councils that have shown such tremendous support will be able to contribute to it.

The whole point of the exercise has been to find a long term or permanent solution for the viability of the Park otherwise it would always be under threat whenever savings were needed.

It is believed unlikely that the Park will close, we are convinced that when everything is finalised the Park will be far more secure than before.

MY CONTACT DETAILS ARE: bunty.waters@ntlworld.com, tel: 01954 201421, mobile 07734 690580

News from the local police

IMMOBILISE

Cambridge Constabulary is using a new website to help identify property which has been recovered after car or house break-ins. It is called Immobilise. It is totally secure and totally FREE to register your valuables like, Mobile Phones, Satellite Navigation Systems, In Car Music Systems and Laptops. It is searchable by Police all over the UK so it won't matter where your property turns up it will still be identified as yours. To register your property go to **www.Immobilise.com** and follow the simple instructions

Bar Hill Parish Council

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(Near the Health Centre and Octagon)
☎ 780456
E-mail: barhillpc-1@btconnect.com

Parish Council Web Site – www.barhillpc.org.uk.
This will keep you up to date on current affairs in the village including meeting minutes and agenda.

Litter Picking Day

The Environment Committee have organized yet another Litter Picking Day, as we had a very successful day last September. The date for your diaries is Saturday 21st April, to meet at the Parish Council office at 10am where you will be able to pick up some black bin liners along with gloves and litter picking sticks. Please give us your support as it is your village too!

Graffiti Removal Service

I have had notification from South Cambridgeshire District Council that they are now undertaking a Graffiti Removal Service. Having read the information it seems to be free of charge, but you must complete a Indemnity Form, which can be collected from the Parish Council office.

Tree Work on Parish Council land

It has come to the attention of the Parish Council that some residents have been cutting back trees that are located on Parish Council land. This cannot be done without prior permission from the Parish Council, as there are many trees in the village that have Preservation Orders on them. If these trees are tampered with without permission from SCDC, then a hefty fine could be imposed on that person. If you have a problem tree, please contact the Parish Council Office in the first instance, as certain procedures need to be followed.

Parish Council Meetings

The next monthly Parish Council meeting will be on Thursday 15th March at 7pm in the Parish Council Office and all members of the public are welcome to attend.

HANDY TELEPHONE NUMBERS
Streetlights: 0800 253529 give the CC No. (written on post).
South Cambs District Council: (01223) 443000
Dog Fouling (01223) 443012.
County Council (damaged paths and roads): (01223) 717111

Leigh Baffa
Parish Clerk

Bar Hill Golf Society

New members are welcome to join the Bar Hill Golf Society.

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Since the first bricks were laid in the new village of Bar Hill 40 years ago, a community has grown and developed and there are now around 35 groups/ organisations involved in a wide variety of activities. We think this is worth celebrating and would like to do this at the Village Fete in July this year.

What we have in mind is an exhibition of photos (past and present), paintings of people, places, activities, visual displays etc. depicting the range of groups, clubs and organisations operating in the village. We are inviting you as an individual or as a group/organisation to participate in the Exhibition by producing and then exhibiting a piece of work as outlined above.

Are you interested? Would you like to know more? Contact: Sue Kenchington on 01954 780260 or Margaret Heppell on 01954 780429 for more information or a chat. We will be contacting groups and organisations directly in the near future.

We look forward to hearing from you

Sue Kenchington,
Margaret Heppell,
Joy Childs and
Christine Woods
Exhibition Planning Group Bar Hill

The Dandelion

There's the first of all the dandelions showing in the grass
It seems to say 'hello' to everyone that pass.
I reckon it lights up that little patch where it's growing
Among the winter's greys and browns, the gold of spring it's showing

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And from those bright flowers you can make a real good wine.
In days long gone they used the roots as well
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Nick Richardson
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March 1st
DNA testing - a blessing or a curse?
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March 15th
Blankety Blank - can you fill in the gaps?
At: Jill's

March 29th
Nursing Care -2006 was the best year? A discussion
At: Brenda's

Women of all ages are welcome, we would love to see you, do come and join us - it's fun and only £1.00 per evening to cover costs.

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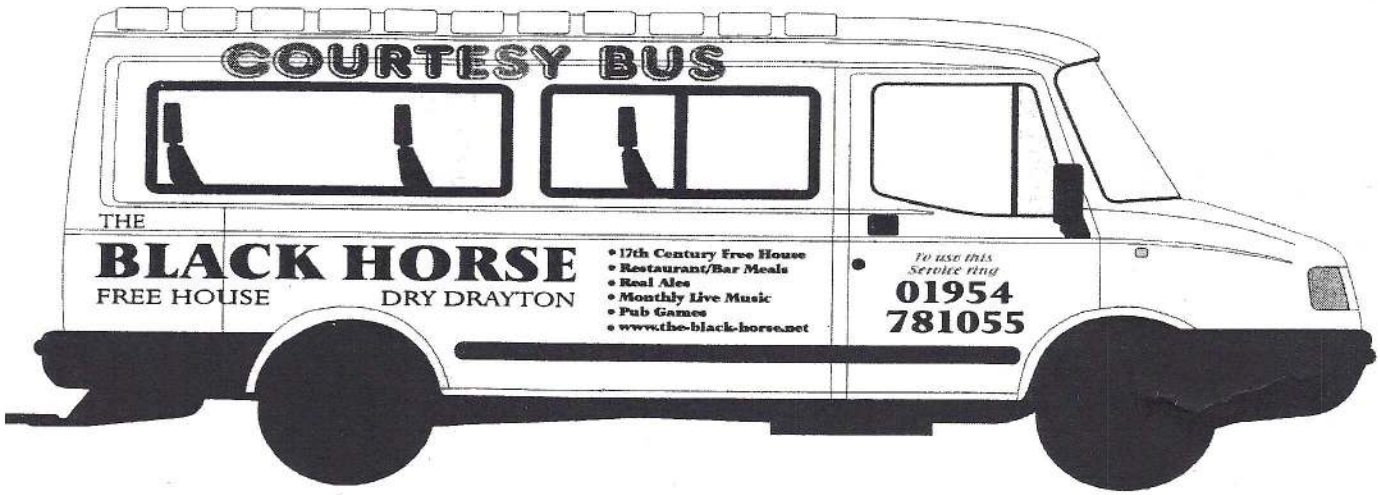

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Tuesday	9.00-11.30am	12.30-3.00pm
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Wednesday		9.00-11.30am
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Friday		9.30-11.30am
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Little Acorns is a privately owned, non-profit making, pre-school.

We are situated in the meetings room (next door to the main church building). All play leaders are qualified Nursery Nurses/teachers.

We are open every day, morning and afternoon, during school term time. (9.15-11.45 am and 12.30- 3pm) There is a lunch club every day from 12 noon.

Monday, Wednesday and Friday afternoons are especially designed for children in the year before they start school and have a slightly different structure to our other sessions, including cookery, PE, woodwork and music sessions.

Children are welcome to attend from age two years. From the term after their 3rd birthday children are entitled to 5 free sessions per week.

We offer a "places for all policy", whereby we subsidize or give free places to families in need. Annually we ensure that at least three or four children are able to access good quality preschool education through this scheme. Please enquire about this.

Parents may choose to help at sessions during our "bring your Mum or Dad to Acorns" weeks, which are very popular.

For more information/a prospectus/a registration form/a copy of our OFSTED report or to arrange a visit, please telephone Sally on 201074.

If you would like to arrange a visit please phone Acorns direct on 7851803083.

Seat belt enforcement campaign

OFFICERS are being asked to target people who are not wearing seatbelts, as part of a Europe wide enforcement campaign which will run later this month. The campaign, which runs from 6am on 19 February, to 6am on 25 February, aims to raise awareness of the importance of wearing seatbelts in preventing deaths and injury.

Failing to wear seat belts has been identified as one of the four key behaviours that contribute to avoidable deaths and injuries on our roads.

Mobile phones

From 27th February 07. get caught using a mobile phone and it will end up costing you a £60 fine and 3 points on your licence, then again your insurance could suffer also.

CAMBRIDGE AREA VOLUNTARY ORGANISATIONS BENEFIT FROM COUNCIL GRANTS

Voluntary organisations for children and young people in the Cambridge area have received a total of £6,000 in grant funding from Cambridgeshire County Council's small grants scheme.

The County Council's Cabinet agreed today to allocate £3,000 to the Sawston Youth Group and a further £3,000 to the Bar Hill Massive Youth Project.

Sawston Youth Group will use the money to help towards the cost of residential accommodation for young people unable to afford the fees, while the Bar Hill Massive Youth Project will spend their grant on activities for young people.

The grants were part of £28,433 awarded in total to children and young people's organisations across Cambridgeshire by the County Council today.

Coun John Reynolds, Cambridgeshire County Council's Deputy Leader, said: "We are delighted to make these awards. Although money is tight at the County Council, we try our best to give grants where we can to deserving voluntary organisations which support our commitment to children and young people."

John Reynolds

BAR HILL TENNIS CLUB AGM

The new tennis season is rapidly approaching and the Club is looking forward to the new season with real excitement. We have recently re surfaced our courts and we are all hoping for a long hot summer and plenty of good tennis!

Before the new season begins we invite all existing but particularly potential new members to our Annual General Meeting.

This will be held at 8.00 pm on Monday 26 March in the Studio Community room at Bar Hill School and everyone is welcome. Please come along even if you only want to know a little more about the Club and whether tennis might be for you. As an added incentive we will be serving cheese and wine!

We play on our own floodlit courts behind the School and welcome players of all abilities. We play socially for fun and to keep fit and also run teams competing in the local league. We have a very active junior section for the youngsters.

This year we are inviting anyone who wants to know more about the Club or would like to have a go at playing to come along to our social Club nights which will be held on Tuesday & Thursday evenings from 7.00 pm to 9.00 pm. Subject to satisfactory weather we hope to start Club nights a little earlier on Tuesday 17 April this year.

We would like to see Tennis being played on our courts as much as possible and the Club is now considering offering corporate membership to local Companies who may wish to make our facilities available to their employees. If any Companies are interested we would be pleased to hear from them.

Keep an eye out in the BHN for more Club information over the next few months but in the meantime we look forward to welcoming you at our AGM on 26 March at 8.00 pm in the School Community room.

Please join us on the 26 March or for more details contact:

Ray Livingstone 201170
John Suchocki 780461
Paul Chubbuck 781688

Sports and Social Club

MARCH NEWS

Hello everyone.

We have some great entertainment coming up in March.

The Thursday night quiz has started up again with some great prizes, so come down to the club & show us how brainy you are. There will be a quiz on Thursday 1st & 15th March.

On Saturday 17th March it's St Patrick's Day and we have 'Jack of Diamonds' playing in the Club in the evening. Come on in for a great night's entertainment.

On Saturday 24th March the football club are holding a 'Race Night' which is always good fun for all the family.

The Saturday night draws for March will take place on the 3rd, 17th, & 31st. Please remember that you must be in the club with your membership card at the time of the draw to win. NO CARD...NO MONEY!!

Don't forget that the Club is open all day every Friday from 12.00pm to 12.00am. So if you fancy a quick game of pool or darts in the afternoon please come up and see us - it's not usually that busy on a Friday afternoon.

Can I remind all parents/guardians that we welcome children into the club. However, the parents/guardians are solely responsible for their child whilst in the club. We are continually having problems with young unsupervised children running around the club especially near the pool table. If this continues the club may have to take action which could include asking children to vacate the club earlier, especially on a Saturday evening.

That's all for now. Hope to see you in the club soon.

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What: The Easter Mini Academy, workshops in dance, drama and music
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When: 10-11 April, 2007, 10am-5pm
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Contact: Gillian Hunter, 01954 234476 or Gillian.hunter@swaveseyvc.cambs.sch.uk for more info or to apply.

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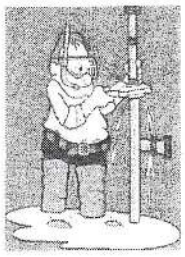

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We are also delighted to welcome Paulina to our team. Our Key worker system enables the early years' team to meet the needs of each individual child through planning their own individual educational plan and next steps.

Session Times

Monday	9.00 - 11.30	12.30 - 3.00
Tuesday	Play tots	12.30 - 3.00
Wednesday	9.00 - 11.30	12.30 - 3.00
Thursday	9.00 - 11.30	12.30 - 3.00
Friday	9.00 - 11.30	12.30 - 3.00 (rising fives)

We offer a lunch club 11.30 - 12.30 daily

Rising 5's session

This session is for children in their final year at Pre-School. This is a more structured session preparing them for school entry.

Early Years Funding

We can offer your child 5 free sessions when your child is eligible, currently the term after their 3rd birthday.

Subsidised Places

We offer reduced sessions rates for parents/ carers on Income Support/ Working tax credit. We also accept child care vouchers from your employer.

Play Tots Session

9.15 - 10.45 Tuesday

This is our session for babies to Pre-School. We have lots of fun and a large selection of activities, including our new soft play den and toys especially for the tots. Sessions are held on a pay as you play basis. Drinks and fruit are provided.

For more information please contact the Pre-School direct on (01954) 782892 during session times or feel free to pop in and see us. Alternatively contact Sarah our session allocation Co-ordinator on (01954) 781871 before 7pm weekdays.

ADMISSION TO BAR HILL PRIMARY SCHOOL SEPTEMBER 2008

Is your child due to start school this coming September? If he/she is, it is essential you fill in an admissions form to send to the Cambridgeshire County Admissions Team in order to ensure a place for your child.

Most children will have received an admissions booklet if they attend one of the village playgroups. If your child does not attend one of these groups, please contact Mrs Emily Lewney, School Secretary on 01954-273305 and she will be able to send you an admissions booklet. School office hours are 8.30am to 4.30pm (closed for lunch 12.15pm to 1.15pm).

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If your son/daughter is interested in coming along and having a look please feel free to do so.

As most of you will have seen the Scout hut is not in good health plans are afoot in order to change this in the coming future (about time)

If you feel you can help in any form as part of a team in sorting out the funding or just want to lend a hand in the weekly meetings then please contact Janet Kempson GSL 01954 780778 or Tracy Seekings Scout leader on 01954 200918

Bar Hill Conservatives

Saturday 10th March. AGM followed by lunch and a talk by Mr Peter George who was an aircraft ferry pilot during the Second World War.

The AGM will start at 12 o'clock sharp followed by a Cheese & Wine Buffet lunch at 12.30 for 1 pm. Everyone welcome to the lunch and talk which promises to be very interesting. Venue - Dry Drayton Village Hall, High Street. Tickets £10 each.

121 Appletrees, Bar Hill, Cambridge, CB23 8SP. Tel: 01954 205265, fax: 01954 205266 E-mail: barhillconservatives@ntlworld.com

Happy Hours The recycled youth club

How nice to see the days getting longer, and the gardens looking brighter with flowers and blossom beginning to show. As we get towards the end of this month, Spring will be with us, and no doubt we shall all be feeling much better.

Membership.

Our membership has grown over the past year, but never-the-less we still have room for any new members. If you are aged 55 years or over, and live in the village, why not come along and join us. We meet at the Octagon each Monday from 11.00am to 3.00pm., during which time we have lunch, together with tea, coffee, and cakes. For more information, call our Chairman, Sid Hunt on 201384, or just call in to see us.

Outings.

Our first outing of the year took place on Wednesday 24th January, when we travelled to Wisbech for morning coffee, and then on to the Olde Mill Restaurant, at the nearby village of Upwell, where we enjoyed a good lunch. The lunch was followed by some excellent entertainment, including music, singing, dancing and comedy. A day well spent.

Holidays.

On Sunday, 11th February, many of our members will be travelling to Eastbourne for a six day Valentines Celebration holiday. We will be staying at the Heatherleigh Hotel, which is on the promenade overlooking the sea. On the way we will be calling at Royal Tunbridge Wells for lunch. Other excursions will be to Middle Farm shop and Alfriston, a day at Brighton and a Mystery Day out There is also a day in Eastbourne, where on the afternoon, Tea & Scones with the resident pianist has been arranged at the Pavilion Tea Rooms. Bingo and entertainment will be provided each evening at the hotel, The Spring Holiday has been arranged for the week beginning Sunday 6th May, when we will be travelling to Bournemouth.

Raffle.

On Monday 5th February we held our first raffle of the year, which was well supported, having about 25 prizes. We were able to raise a sum of £63.50 which is being donated to the Arthur Rank Hospice in Cambridge.

Sickness.

I am sorry to report that Pat Marshall has recently had a fall, breaking her spectacles, which caused deep lacerations to her face, and also a fracture to her arm, requiring hospital treatment. Ernie Arnold is making a slow, but good recovery, from his knee operation. Our thoughts are also with the several other members, who are not able to be with us at present.

Dennis Holt, 780948.

Children's Activities at the Church

Dates for your diary

Wednesday April 4th
Family Easter activity afternoon from 2.30 pm to 5.00 pm. This is a free event at which you can just turn up. Anyone in year 4 or below must be accompanied by an adult. Those in year 5 and up must have a permission slip which can be obtained by ringing Claire Thorby on 781527.

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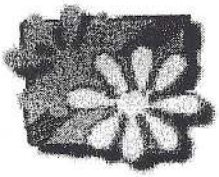

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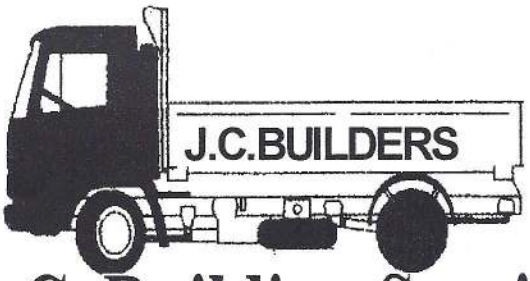

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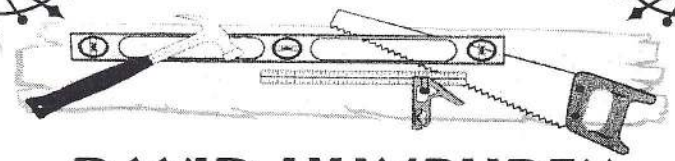

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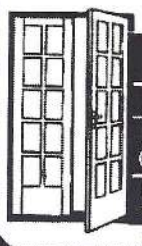

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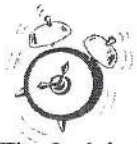

8 O'Clock Club

The 8 o'clock Club meets on the 1st Thursday of each month at 8 PM in the school. Our meetings are very informal and are open to all ladies from Bar Hill. We try to have varied meetings with speakers, outings and meals out. The programme is as follows

1 February Cake icing
1 March Birthday party - Members only
5 April No meeting - school closed
3 May Linda Scholes - 'Everything I always wanted to know about sex'
7 June Garden party at 152 Hillcrest - Members only

If you would to come along to one of the meetings please feel free to turn up at 8 p.m. or give me a ring on 204171
Barbara

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Lisa Before & after school (5-8yrs term time only) 201160
Hanna Before & after school (5-8 yrs term time only) 200232Friday (0-5 yrs)
Kirsten Part-time (0-5 yrs) 200228
Debbie Wednesday (0-5 yrs) 201739
Judith - call for more details 201919
Melanie - Call for more details 204496

Football Project

The pitch is being used regularly for Colts football training and the 5-a-side league. However we still have times available at the weekends. The pitch is suitable for football and many other sporting activities such as mini tennis, hockey, bowls, volleyball and multi sports - it's a great venue for birthday parties. If you wish to find out more about hiring the facility then contact our Bookings Secretary, Lisa Francis on 201160.
If you wish to enter a team in the 5-a-side league please ring Paul Thorby on 781527.
The officers of the Management Committee are:

Chairperson Jack Fleming
Vice-chair Alan Hewings
Secretary Paul Thorby
Treasurer Jairo Marin

The Royal British Legion

The Poppy appeal has raised £5,600, an increase on the amount of last year. The Chairman would like to thank all who collected on our behalf, Mike Duce who organised the collection and Pat and Jim Hubbard who counted the money.

Under Ones

Under Ones meet on a Tuesday, 10am to midday, in the Church Octagon during term time. All are welcome: pregnant mothers, new mums, carers, grandparents, fathers. Tea, coffee, juice, biscuits 50p for the morning. Toys, books, changing facilities, a chance to chat and relax while babies sleep or play.
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Alwyn Keeves, 781050

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Cricket Club

Preparations for the new season are well under way, with net sessions at the Perse School on Sunday mornings from 9.30 to 11 am. Any new members are welcome, and lifts can be arranged on the number below.

Once again, we will be running two adult teams in the CCA leagues on Saturdays, plus a friendly side on Sundays. Full details of the fixture list can now be found at the club website, www.barhillcricket.org.uk

The website has all sorts of other information about the club, and has recently been given a bright new look – why not log on and check it out? Keep a lookout for the upcoming fundraising quiz night at the Social Club. Come along and test your brain power and win some great prizes. Finally, thanks again to Andy Kent at Andy's Kars for servicing our roller, which will soon be put to good use preparing the pitch for what will be a busy summer.

Paul Stimpson
782475

Ladies International Group

We are a small group who meet once a month with shared meals. Our group includes British and overseas members.

If you are new to the village or would like to make friends, do come along.

We also arrange child-friendly events in the summer.

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During the holidays we have themed activities, which the children are involved in choosing, as they are with many other issues, such as outings etc - as it is their Club, they even chose its name.

The children are given a snack e.g. pasta, filled pittas etc, followed by a biscuit and fresh fruit. We also make birthday cakes to celebrate each child's birthday, which are shared.

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We hope you all enjoyed a fun half term with us, we are now looking forward to the Easter holidays. We are currently taking bookings for the Easter Holidays, if you would like a booking form or further details, please either call into the Club or telephone us.either of the above numbers

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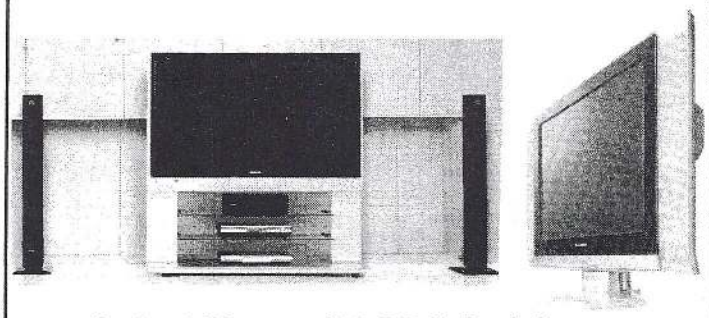

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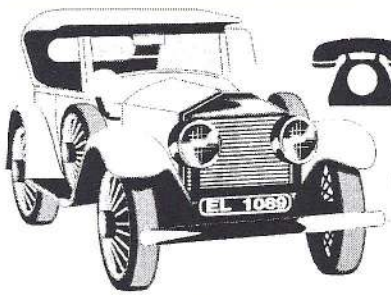

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BAR HILL COLTS F.C.

Yes I do know it's February already, but this is the first opportunity we have had to wish everyone in Bar Hill a Very Happy New Year. This is the toughest time for all the footballers in the village, and even harder on the washing machines of the footballers, as they all come home caked in mud. With luck (and kind weather), all the fixtures printed will get played so do go along and see some of the games if you can.

SATURDAY FIXTURES

Team	Under 8	Under 9	Under 10	Under 11 (Girls)	Under 14 (Girls)
			FEBRUARY		
3rd	**Willing'm (h)**			Cottenham (a)	**Peterboro (h)**
10th		**C'bourne (h)**	Comberton (a)		
17th	**C'bourne (h)**				
24th		C'bourne (a)	Gamlingay (a)	**W'beach (h)**	Comberton (a)
			MARCH		
3rd	C Hinton (a)				**Cam City (h)**
10th		**Comb'n (h)**	**Histon (h)**		
17th	**Fulbourn (h)**				
24th		Girton (a)	Milton (a)		
31st	Fulbourn (a)	**Hardwick (h)**	**Over (h)**		

COMMITTEE

Please contact us for any information.

POSITION	PERSON	TEL
Chair:	Barry Dean	205670
Vice Chair:	Paul Gedny	201074
General Secretary:	Paul Neal	205076
Fixtures Secretary	Mark Honeywood	01480 830133
Treasurer:	Jairo Marin	781838
Entertainments:	Janette Barber	781533
	Michelle Davies	201246
	Rob Humphreys	781583
Publicity: *Web*	Kevin Salaman	201701
BHN	Barry Dean	205670
Parents Rep:	Gail Pridgeon	203229
Child Welfare:	Nigel Barber	781533

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A very big thanks to everyone who donated their vouchers to the club. I can proudly announce that we collected an amazing **"12,374"**, which will be put to very good use in getting much needed equipment, for the boys and girls of Bar Hill Colts F.C.

COLTS MANAGERS

Our usual list of managers, so if you would like to play for any of our teams please give us a call anytime.

AGE	MANAGER	TEL
U7	Roy Sloane	782264
U8	Steve Andrews	789778
U9	Rob Humphreys	781583
U10	Darryn Cook	203576
U11	Tony Virgo	782619
U11 Girls	Vicky Neal	205076
	Linda Ogilvie	202568
U12	Kevin Salaman	201701
U13	Mark Hart	200314
U14	Jairo Marin	781838
U14 Girls	Ruth Pimentel	782253
U16	Nigel Barber	781533

UNDER 7's

Roy Sloane and his willing team of helpers have now firmly established our latest team, who regularly train on a Saturday morning. A poll of the players saw the latest team name emerge, so our best wishes to the **'EAGLES'** as they prepare themselves for matches around the county during next season.

BAR HILL F.C.

If you want more information, or if you are interested in playing for any of our teams.

Bar Hill F.C.		
Adult	Paul Prime	203175
Adult	John Houston	200951

Well that's all for now, but as it's Valentine's day this month:

PLEASE NOTE: The views expressed in this column are not necessarily the views of either Bar Hill Colts, or Bar Hill F.C. Don't forget to visit our website for all the most up to date news:

www.barhillcolts.org.uk

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ADULT TEAMS FIXTURES

Team	1st TEAM		RESERVES		'A' TEAM	
			FEBRUARY			
4th	Kingston Foresters	A	**Chemical Labs**	H	*SCC (3rd Round)*	
11th	**Newmarket Albion**	H	Ely Park Rangers	A	**Greyhound Rangers**	H
18th			**Phoenix**	H	*SCC (Semi Final)*	
25th	**Fen Ditton (or CSCC Semi)**	H	Exning United	A	Chemical Labs	A
			MARCH			
4th	**Triple S**	H	Brook Magpies	A	Oakington	A
11th	Dryton Lions	H			Histon Hornets	A

NOTES: 'A' Team home games at Cottenham Village College & SCC = Sunday Centenary Cup

COLTS LEAGUE FIXTURES

Team	Under 11's	Under 12's	Under 13's	Under 14's	Under 16's
			FEBRUARY		
4th	**Ramsey Colts (h)**	Celtic Crus. (a)	C.Hinton (a)	**Milton (h)**	Saffron Walden (a)
11th	**Buckden (h)**	Littleport(a)	Milton (a)	**Bluntisham (h)**	Ellesmere(a)
18th	Priory Parkside(a)	**Godmanchester(h)**	**Mildenhall (h)**	Comberton (a)	**Warboys (h)**
24th		Eaton Socon (a)		**Fulbourn (h)**	Ely City (a)
			MARCH		
4th	Brampton (a)	**Bottisham (h)**	**Girton (h)**		**Swavesey (h)**
11th	**Bluntisham (h)**	Lakenheath (a)		**Cottenham (h)**	
18th	**Needingworth (h)**		Aztecs (a)	Histon (a)	Alconbury (a)
25th	K.C. Cougars (a)	**Cambourne (h)**		**Priory Parkside (h)**	**Saffron Walden (h)**

Bar Hill ParentAndToddler Group

Bar Hill Parent and Toddler Group is a welcoming and friendly group run by a committee of parents to provide play and socialising for children (and parents) from 0 - 4 years of age. The sessions run from 9:45 to 11:15 every Wednesday and Friday during term time and are held in the Octagon. Georgie runs the Wednesday session and Jo the Friday session and they both provide a range of activities which include arts and crafts, puzzles, dressing up and a wide range of outdoor toys (weather permitting). The cost of each session is £1.90 for the first child and £1.00 per sibling up to a maximum of £3.00 per family or childminder. This includes refreshments for parent/carer and children.

MORE HELP REQUIRED!

We really need to see some new faces on our committee with some fresh ideas. We meet only one evening a month at the most and it is a great way of socialing without the children and making new friends. If you think you might be interested just pop along to a session or contact Debbie on 201739 for more information.

TODDLER AGM:
Our annual general meeting will take place on the 27th March at 8pm in the Church meeting room, please come along and show us your support, drinks and nibbles available.
PLAYDAYS:
We will be holding 3 playdays during April they are: Wed 4th April, Wed 11th April and Fri 13th April more info to follow nearer the time.

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Tuesday: **Brownies** 6.30-8.00pm at Octagon, Bar Hill Church
Wednesday: **Rainbows** 6.00-7.15pm at Meetings Room, Octagon, Bar Hill Church
Wednesday: **Guides** 7.30-9.00pm at Meetings Room, Octagon, Bar Hill Church
Thursday: **Brownies** 5.45-7.15pm at The Studio, Bar Hill School

Girlguiding is thriving in Bar Hill – here's a snapshot of what we are up to:
- 1st Bar Hill Rainbows are going to be spending time this term preparing for their sleepover which is going to take place on the weekend of 10/11th March. The theme for the weekend is going to be Mr Men and Little Miss. Also a date for the diary - we are going to be holding a Jumble Sale on Saturday 28th April, 2.00-4.00pm in the Octagon, Bar Hill Church in aid of 1st Bar Hill Rainbows.
2nd Bar Hill Rainbows have had a games evening learning new games and having a laugh. We had a 'healthy eating' evening, making dips and smoothies, had a beauty evening where we had face packs, foot spas, and facial nails and made our own creams and face packs. We have read the tiny seed and made egg cup head people so we can watch the seeds grow. They will be going on a sleepover the weekend of 12th May and are busy preparing for this.
1st Bar Hill Brownies have been completing individual Badge work, and the Culture Badge and their Handbooks
2nd Bar Hill Brownies have been making smoothies and making icing decorations. We celebrated Chinese New Year with Lanterns, lucky red envelopes and bookmarks as well as Chinese food. We had an Aladdin themed Promise Party. We will shortly be going on Pack Holiday and will be going on a day out to London to ICANDO and the Royal Mews.
The Guides brought the new year in with a meal to celebrate not only a late Christmas but a happy new term. As part of the guide programme the girls plan their own activities and this term the girls are planning all except two nights in their patrols. So far, we have seen the whole unit participate in a very relaxing treat yourself night with even the guiders being pampered! The Daffodil patrol are holding the first of their healthy eating evenings and the Daisy Patrol are making sock puppets. The Pandas are exploring what an ideal woman is in both the press and real life. Most of the Unit have also taken part in a service project clearing undergrowth at Hautbois – the Anglia Region Training Centre at Coltishall near Norwich.
If you have any skills you could offer to the girls, please let us know – are you good at crafts and could spare the occassional evening, could you teach the girls your hobby? We're always on the look out for new ideas. You don't have to commit to every week to support Guiding in Bar Hill.
District commissioner Vacancy
My term as a District Commissioner will be coming to an end in March. If you are interested in becoing involved in Guiding but can't do unit meetings each week, this could be the role for you. Interested – please contact me and I can tell you more about what this involves.
Come on. Join the Fun!

Claire Cook
District Commissioner
(01954 203721)

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Bar Hill Church

Sunday 11th	8.00am	Holy Communion	Ruth Adams
	10.00am	Morning Worship	Ruth Adams
	6.30pm	Informal Worship	Keith Dixon, Julie Gawthrope, Mel Stamp
Sunday 18th	10.00am	Holy Communion - URC	Ruth Adams
	6.30pm	Youth Worship	Heather Smethurst
Sunday 25th	10.00am	All-Age Worship	Ruth Adams
	6.30pm	Holy Communion	Ruth Adams
Wednesday 28th	10.00am	Holy Communion	Ruth Adams

People to contact:		
Minister	Rev. Ruth Adams	Tel: 01954 789369
Church Administrator	Helen Cook	Tel/Fax: 01954 206120

The Catholic Church of Our Lady and the English Martyrs

Hills Road Cambridge (the Catholic Church serving Bar Hill)

Parish Priest:	Mgr. Tony Rogers	**01223 350787**
Deacons:	Revd Robert Joyce, Tony Northrop & Tony Sutton	
Local contact:	Bunty Waters	**201421**

Mass at Bar Hill Church Centre
Masses in the Parish Church in Cambridge

Saturdays: 6pm First Mass of Sunday
Mon, Wed, Thu, Fri: 8am & 12.15 pm
Tue: 8am & 7.30 pm
Saturdays: 6pm First Mass of Sundays
also 5pm at The Ark, Cambourne
and 6pm at Bar Hill Church Centre

Holydays of Obligation: 8 am, 10 am, 7.30 pm

Sacrament of Reconciliation: Tue. 6.45 pm (not after Mass)
Sat: 10.30 - 11.15 am, 4.30 - 5.15 pm, 7.00 - 7.45 pm

Details of other services are published in the weekly newsletter which is available at the 6 pm Mass each Saturday - copies are available in the Church Centre.

What's On This Month And Next

(See p29 for Church Services)

Date	Time	Event	Location
March			
Sat 10th	10-12am 2-4pm	Card workshop	S.P.A.R.C Tel 782294
Tue 13th	7.30pm	"7/7"	Swavesey Village College
Wed 14th	7.30pm	"7/7"	Swavesey Village College
Wed 14th	8.00 pm	Residents' Association Meeting	Parish Council Office
Thu 15th	7.00pm	Parish Council Meeting	Parish Council Office
Thu 15th	8.00pm	NWR Blankety Blank - can you fill in the gaps?	Tel 781662
Thu 15th	7.30pm	"7/7"	Swavesey Village College
Fri 16th	8-11pm	Jazz Club - Tel 789670	Village Hall
Fri 16th	6.45pm	"7/7" (Gala night)	Swavesey Village College
Sat 17th	Evening	Social Club Membership Draw	Social Club
Sat 17th	5.00pm	Band - Jack of Diamonds	Social Club
Sat 24th	8.00pm	Race Night (Football Club)	Social Club
Tue 27th	8.00pm	Parent and Todler Group AGM	Church Meeting Room
Sat 31st	Evening	Social Club Membership Draw	Social Club

Residents' Association

Meetings

Interested residents are always welcome at our meetings which are now normally held on the second **Wednesday** of the month at the Parish Offices. The next meetings are on 14th March and 11th April.

Bin Collection Dates

March

7 Green bin and box
14 Black bin
21 Green bin and box
28 Black bin

April

4 Green bin and box
12 Black bin
18 Green bin and box
25 Black bin

Raleigh International

Card Making Workshop

Ideas for Easter, Mothers day, as well as birthdays and other occasions.

To be held

10th March

Two sessions

Morning: 10am—12pm

Afternoon: 2.00– 4.00pm

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For booking form contact
Rachel
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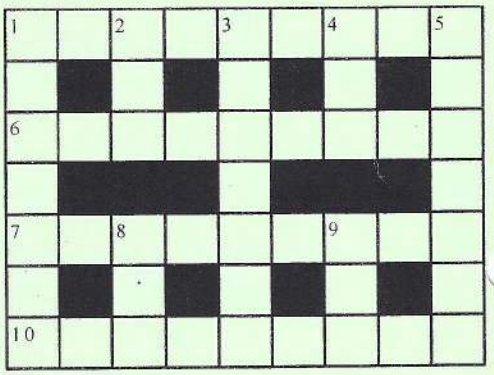

Across:

1. Historical novel by R. Graves (1,8)
6. Northern Capital
7. One who goes without
10. Unsafe

Down:

1. Island or food store
2. Garland
3. Offence or annoyance
4. Suffix forming adjectives of comparison
5. Orbs
8. A paper star
9. New form of